2003

NEWARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

FIFTEENTH AVENUE SCHOOL

YEARBOOK

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Fifteenth Avenue School

Fifteenth Avenue School is one of fifteen schools in School Leadership Team (SLT) V, of which Dr. Marinaro is the Assistant Superintendent. Mrs. J. Kornegay is our principal. Our school is currently a PreK-5 elementary school, with 16 classroom teachers, 3 of which cater to our special needs students. During the 2002 – 2003 school year, approximately 235 students were in attendance. Our students were exposed to a variety of subject matters such as Art, Instrumental and Vocal Music, Language Arts Literacy, Library Science, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Spanish, which all integrated the use of Technology. Most importantly we incorporated the "six standards of good character" into our daily functions. These six standards are Caring, Citizenship, Fairness, Respect, Responsibility, and Trustworthiness.

Our students participated in Newark Public Schools' Annual Computer Fair held at Rutgers University, the annual Math and Science Fair, and "A Day in the Life of Newark" Photography Competition. These photos were displayed in the Robeson Gallery at Rutgers University during the month of June.

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At Fifteenth Avenue School we believe that ***All Children Will Learn***.

Letters To The Graduates

J. A. Kornegay, Principal

F. Igbinovia, 5th Grade Teacher

D. Rayam, 5th Grade Teacher

R. Williams, 5th Grade Teacher

J. A. Kornegay,
Principal

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

What a special group of students you are. I must praise you for the maturity that you have shown during this school year. I've seen it in your actions, in your writing, how you interacted with your peers, and how you responded in unexpected circumstances when we needed your help. I am so sure that you are headed down the road to success.

Continue to work hard in school. Continue to think positively and have faith in yourselves. Continue to strive for piece and harmony in your lives. I have total faith in your ability to achieve success, and I know that your families are also very proud of you. I love you all.

Sincerely,
Mrs. J. Kornegay

F. Igbinovia,

5th Grade Teacher - Room 210

It seems like only a short while ago that we were welcoming students back to school after 2002 summer vacation. Yet here we are, preparing for the 5th grade Stepping Up Ceremony, and already planning for the next school year.

To the fifth graders, I offer my best wishes and good luck for a future filled with success, good health, and happiness at Camden Middle School and beyond. And to everyone, have a restful and enjoyable summer.

Congratulations! Congratulations! Fifth Graders.

Mrs. Igbinovia
Teacher

D. Rayam,

5th Grade Teacher - Room 303

To: *Room 303 Fifth Grade Students*
From: *Ms. Rayam*

The time has finally come and you are moving ahead in your life. All of you have truly been a joy and blessing and each of you have contributed to the success of our class in your own way. The beginning of the year was a learning process for us due to our circumstances, but we made it through. You will forever hold that special place because you were my first class. I will never forget you. Always remember that you can make it and try to stay on the right path. Everyone's journey and experiences will not be the same and in the end, you will have a different story to tell. I just pray it is a success story.

Anthony:	**Keep your head up. It only gets better.**
Shaheedah:	**Very quiet but full of ideas. Express yourself more and no, you can't get on the computer.**
Chasity:-	**Keep singing and don't get discouraged. Stop whining.**
Rosemary:-	**You also have a beautiful voice. Congratulations on your jump rope skills.**
Sharrief:	**So much to say to you. Keep writing like you mean it. No, no, no to everything.**
Jonathan:	**You are such a hard worker. Keep it up. One day, you will actually make me laugh.**
Winter:	**You have grown and matured. Put your attitude towards good use, it will benefit you one day.**
Rayquan:	**You are such the artist. Become more active and talk a little more.**
David:	**Remember to write all your ideas down. One day, they will make you famous.**
Christopher:	**Continue to be an individual. You are truly a walking dictionary.**
Shermaine:	**Where do I start?? You have given me a "run for my money" but it was worth it. You have so much potential and when you realize it, you will definitely go far.**
Khalil:	**I saw that you wanted to improve and you did. Keep it up and stay strong.**
Devon:	**You are a dedicated worker. Remember to stop banging on the desks and sit in your seat.**
Roosevelt:	**You have changed for the better and I know you will make it. Remember, you are not my body guard and I can protect myself. Thank you anyway.**
Quashonda:	**Dedicated and strong, you truly will go far. No, you can't have my phone number.**
Nancy:	**Keep wanting to learn more. Oh, by the way, you didn't get away with everything. I saw you a few times.**

Remember my advice and remember you can have fun while learning. Come and stop by next year so I can keep up with you.

Your teacher,
Ms. Rayam

R. Williams,

5th Grade Teacher - Room 212

To My Students of Room 212,

You were my FIRST. My first elementary teaching experience, my first thought in the morning, the first time my work has ever truly mattered. As difficult as it was sometimes, it has been twice as wonderful MOST of the time. There were many things that I wanted you to learn. Reading, writing, and math were required, and you all did great.

But it was just as important that you learn, that there is a BIG WORLD surrounding 15th Avenue School. In order to survive in that world, it is necessary that you always remember a few basic life skills. This was one of my personal goals for you.

One of those life skills was for you to have an open-mind. You are going to encounter so many different people, places and experiences. You must be ready and willing to seek, explore and achieve in order to be successful in all walks of life.

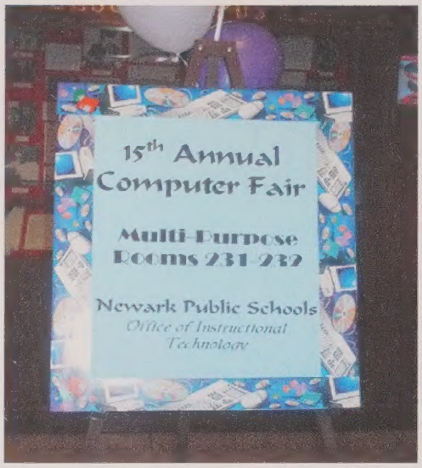
Another life skill I hope you've learned is the importance of respect. Respect for adults, your peers, and yourselves can be the difference between success and failure.

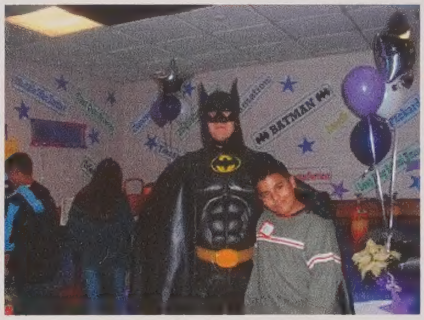
Finally, I hope you've learned that there are consequences for your actions.
The consequence of hard work is good grades. The consequence of good grades is a good college. The consequence of good behavior and a positive attitude is a GREAT STUDENT!

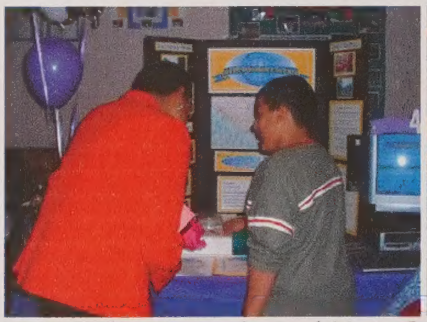
So, to all of my GREAT STUDENTS, the BIG WORLD surrounding 15th Avenue School is yours! Use your life skills and GO FOR IT!

Love,
Ms. R. Williams
5th Grade Teacher

2002 Computer Fair







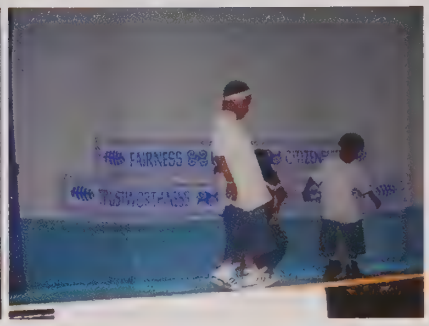
Students are seen here with Marion Bolden, Newark Public Schools Superintendent and Ms. Nelms, Deputy Superintendent

5th Grade Participants: Senthea Bullock, Jonathan Davis, Lafonda McKinney, David Martinez, Tywon Poterfield, & Nancy Ukenta
Collaboration between Ms. Birch, Technology Coordinator & Ms. Robinson, Art Teacher

Classroom Activities

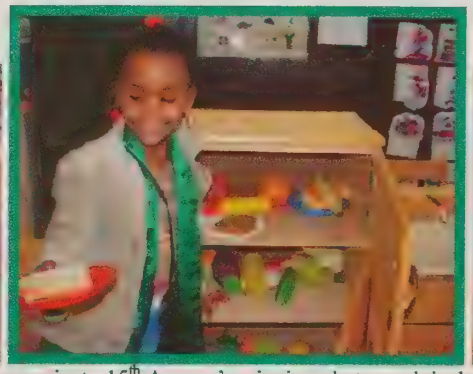
Students work on their Math & Science Fair Project. Utilize the computers in the computer lab. Pose in their pajamas on Pajama Day

Performances



Fifteenth Ave's Poetry Assembly, Spanish Show, Orchestra, & Six Standards of Good Character Talent Show

A Day In the Life Of Newark



Newark Public Schools' Art & Technology project. 15th Avenue's winning photograph is that of Hassina Brown taken by D. Martinez. All winning photos were displayed in the Robeson Gallery at Rutgers University on June 16 – 28.

Photographs taken by: Kenieth Edwards, David Martinez, & Khari Reddick

Supervising Teachers: Ms. Birch, Technology Coordinator & Ms. Robinson, Art Teacher

Awards Ceremony

Students are seen here receiving outstanding awards and trophies for their excellent academic and athletic performances during the 2002 – 2003 school year.

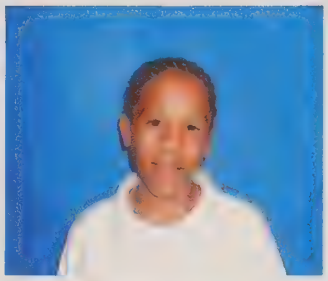
Rexplex Entertainment Center

Fifth graders enjoy themselves at an all day school trip to the Rexplex Entertainment Center in Elizabeth, NJ.

Field Day

Students had fun, played games, and ate an abundance of food at our annual field day.

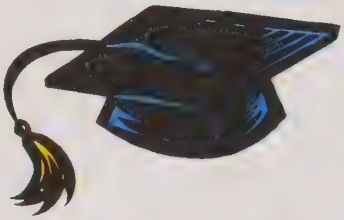
Stepping-Up Class of 2003

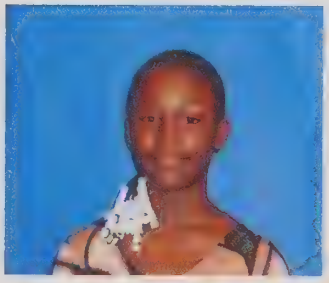


	Anthony Austin	Shaheedah Berry	Jaron Brown
Favorite Subject:	Writing and Art	Reading & Computers	Art
Hobby:	Mostly my work	Reading	Drawing and writing poems
Career Goal:	Get a good job.	A library teacher.	Finish 6th grade & college.
15th Ave Memory:	Doing work and having fun.	Mrs. Kornegay and the teachers.	Spending time with my friend Zok.
Favorite Saying:	"Bay blade"	"Can I get on the computer?"	"Shut up!"

	Senthea Bullock	Donya Bunn	Chasity Carver
Favorite Subject:	Art	Language Arts	Math
Hobby:	Dancing	Singing and writing poetry	Jump rope
Career Goal:	To be a teacher.	An actress or a pediatrician.	A Lawyer
15th Ave Memory:	When my class got together at the Writing Celebration.	My favorite memory is when I went to Kids Camp!	When we had class parties.
Favorite Saying:	"What's up?"	"Get serious!"	"Stop milking it"

	Sharrief Couxum	*Rosemary Cromer*	*Jamillah Davis*
Favorite Subject:	Math	Music and Computers	Math
Hobby:	Basketball and Rapping	Jump rope	Basketball
Career Goal:	Rapper	Doctor	To become a Social Worker.
15th Ave Memory:	Ms. Rayam and Ms. Glaude.	Mr. & Mrs. Glaude.	All the teachers.
Favorite Saying:	"Shut up"	"Early"	"What's Up?"



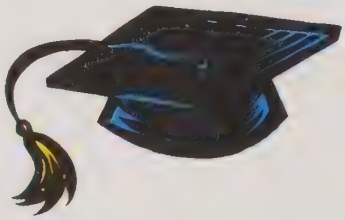


	Jonathan Davis	*Iyanna Days*	*Kenieth Edwards*
Favorite Subject:	Math	Reading	Art
Hobbies:	Singing	Talking, playing, and dancing.	Drawing and reading
Career Goal:	Police Officer or a Fireman.	A singer or teacher.	To be an artist.
15th Ave Memory:	My teacher Ms. Rayam and Mrs. Kornegay.	All teachers and Mrs. Kornegay.	Making the honor roll & staying out of trouble.
Favorite Saying:	"Get him boys"	"Get got early."	"What's Up?"

	Winter Fann	*Kadon Feliciano*	*Jahyda Hunt*
Favorite Subject:	Language Arts	Computers	Computers
Hobby:	Hanging out with boys in school and with my brothers.	Gymnastics	Dancing, singing, cheering, & jumping rope
Career Goal:	To manage my own business.	To be a pediatrician.	To be a doctor or a nurse.
15th Ave Memory:	Being with my friends.	Memories of Miss Dr. Butts.	Spending time with Ms. Head.
Favorite Saying:	"Are you serious ...nah you ain't serious dun"	"What's crackin?"	"You can get it!"

	Rayquan Johnson	*Johnny Jones*	*Devon King*
Favorite Subject:	Math	Math	Reading
Hobby:	Playing basketball & football	Basketball	Football, basketball, and kickball
Career Goal:	A Basketball player.	Lawyer	Football Player
15th Ave Memory:	Ms. Kornegay	The good times I had in this school.	Ms. Rayam, Mr. E, and Ms. Robinson.
Favorite Saying:	"No you're not eating peanut butter cookies!"	"What's good?"	None

	Kevin Laberth	*Zokwymere Lawton*	*Tayanna Lloyd*
Favorite Subject:	Math	Art	Art
Hobby:	Basketball & Video Games	Basketball	I like making outfits.
Career Goal:	Doctor	Basketball player.	A Pediatrician.
15th Ave Memory:	The teachers.	The good art projects.	When we had field days.
Favorite Saying:	"Shut up 'fore I hook you!"	"What's poppin?"	"Stop playing with me!"



	Lafonda McKinney	*David Martinez*	*Christopher Moore*
Favorite Subject:	Art	Math	Language Arts
Hobby:	Art, stepping, playing, & talking	Drawing	Football
Career Goal:	To be a professional basketball player.	To be a Pediatrician	To be drafted into the NFL
15th Ave Memory:	The school trips.	When I first used the digital camera to take pictures.	Mr. Howard and Ms. Rayam.
Favorite Saying:	"Shut Up"	"Groovy"	"Oh! My God"

Jamar Moore

Jamil Mosley

Khalil Nixon

Favorite Subject:	Science	Math	Math
Hobby:	Basketball	I like to play Drums	Basketball
Career Goal:	I want to be a police officer.	Fireman	Football Player
15th Ave Memory:	Spending time with Ms. Head and playing games.	My teacher showing me how to do subtraction.	Our teacher Ms. Rayam.
Favorite Saying:	"Smell my smelly fingers."	"I ain't do nothing"	"Khalil spit it out"

Shermaine Patrick

Lamera Pigford

Belinda Purvis

Favorite Subject:	Math	Art	Math
Hobby:	Basketball	Arts and Crafts	Bike riding and dancing
Career Goal:	Basketball player	To go to college and become a surgeon.	To be a teacher
15th Ave Memory:	Ms. Rayam and Mr. E.	When I went to Kids Camp.	Being a teacher's assistant to Miss Dr. Butts.
Favorite Saying:	"It's for me to know and you to find out."	"Shut up"!	"I'm gonna punch you in your face."

Khari Reddick

Roosevelt Robinson

Darryl Smith

	Khari Reddick	Roosevelt Robinson	Darryl Smith
Favorite Subject:	Social Studies	Math	Math
Hobby:	Playing football and basketball	Playing basketball	I love to play basketball.
Career Goal:	A football player in the NFL.	To be a professional basketball player	The best basketball player.
15th Ave Memory:	When everything was funny.	Playing the math game.	School trips were always fun.
Favorite Saying:	"I didn't do anything!"	"Look at your shoes!"	"I want to learn more."

Al-Tariq Swan

Quentin Sykes

Quashonda Thomas

	Al-Tariq Swan	Quentin Sykes	Quashonda Thomas
Favorite Subject:	Art	Math	Math
Hobby:	Art and Poetry	Drawing & playing football	Basketball and jump rope
Career Goal:	To receive a college degree.	To be a Perennial Football Player	A Bus Driver and a Nurse
15th Ave Memory:	The Stepping Up Ceremony	Going on trips	Having parties & bake sales.
Favorite Saying:	"What's up?"	"Do you have yogi oh cards?"	"Smell that!"

Nancy Ukenta

Favorite Subject: Math
Hobby: Basketball
Career Goal: Pediatrician / Surgeon
15th Ave Memory: Some of the teachers.
Favorite Saying: "Smell that!"

Superlatives

Descriptions	Girl	Boy
Shortest Student	Jamillah Davis	Kadon Feliciano
Tallest Student	Iyonna Days	Devon King
Quietest	Shaheedah Berry	Ray-Quan
Loudest	Iyonna Days	Jonathon Davis
Funniest	Jahyda Hunt	Jonathon Davis
Most Serious	Nancy Ukenta	Shermaine Patrick
Best Double Dutch Jumper	Rosemary Cromer	
Best Dancer	Jahyda Hunt	Sharrief Couxum
Most Athletic	Nancy Ukenta	Khari Reddick
Friendliest	Shahedah Berry	David Martinez
Most Popular	Jahyda Hunt	Sharrief Couxum
Best Role Model	Nancy Ukenta	David Martinez
Most Likely To Succeed	Jamillah Davis	David Martinez

Congratulations!

Credits

Stepping-Up Students' Portraits
Yearbook Cover Design
Ms. Robinson, Art Teacher

Data Entry –Students' Profile
Doryea Norfleet, 3rd Grade Computer Club Member

Student Superlatives Votes
Nancy Ukenta, Ms. Rayam & Ms. Williams

Photographs of Various Events
Computer Club Students
Khari Reddick, Grade 5
Ms. Birch, Technology Coordinator

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Ms. Birch, Technology Coordinator

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Ms. Birch, Technology Coordinator

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